

Substitute House Bill No. 5368

Public Act No. 22-62

AN ACT CONCERNING THE GOVERNOR'S GUARDS, CERTAIN MILITARY DEPARTMENT MONEYS AND A MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS RIBBON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 27-6a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2022):

The first and second companies of the Governor's Foot Guards may each consist of one major <u>commandant</u>, grade O-4; [one captain, grade O-3; three first lieutenants, grade O-2; one second lieutenant, grade O-1; one ensign with the rank of second lieutenant, grade O-1;] one warrant officer, grade W-4, to be bandmaster; [, one quartermaster who shall serve on the major's staff with the rank of captain, grade O-3, and the following enlisted personnel: One] <u>one</u> sergeant major, grade E-9; [two first sergeants, grade E-8; one sergeant first class, grade E-7, and designated as quartermaster sergeant; four staff sergeants, grade E-6, two designated as quartermaster sergeants, one as ordnance sergeant, and one as company clerk; two sergeants, grade E-5, color-bearers, together with twelve sergeants, grade E-5; eight corporals, grade E-4; ninety-six enlisted persons, twenty-four of whom shall be privates first class, grade E-3; and the balance to be privates grade E-2 or E-1. Each company is authorized a band of twenty-eight musicians with the

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following grades: One sergeant first class, grade E-7; two staff sergeants, grade E-6; four sergeants, grade E-5; seventeen corporals, grade E-4; four privates first class, grade E-3, and twenty-eight persons for field music with the following grades: One sergeant first class, grade E-7; two staff sergeants, grade E-6; four sergeants, grade E-5; seventeen corporals, grade E-4; four privates first class, grade E-3. The commander of any company of the Governor's Guards may appoint either of its sergeants to be an orderly sergeant and may displace such orderly sergeant and make a new appointment as occasion may require] and such other personnel as is consistent with orders issued or regulations prescribed under section 27-14 and with the provisions of section 27-79.

Sec. 2. Section 27-7 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

The first and second companies of the Governor's Horse Guards may each consist of one major [, one captain, two first lieutenants, two second lieutenants, one cornet with the rank of second lieutenant, one master sergeant, one first sergeant, two staff sergeants, twelve sergeants, twelve corporals, thirty-two privates first class and sixty-four privates] commandant, grade O-4; one sergeant major, grade E-9; and such other personnel as is consistent with orders issued or regulations prescribed under section 27-14 and with the provisions of section 27-79.

Sec. 3. Section 27-8 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2022):

The Governor's Guards [, subject to the provisions of their charters and of the general statutes as to organization, training and discipline,] shall be organized militia, with the immunities and privileges provided by law, and [, in time of war, invasion, rebellion or riot or reasonable apprehension thereof, may be ordered out by the Governor for duty] may be ordered to state military duty by the Governor.

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Sec. 4. Section 27-19b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

There is established an account to be known as the ["Army National Guard] "Military Department state morale, welfare and recreation account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, which shall include, but not be limited to, proceeds of state military morale, welfare and recreation programs and gifts, grants and donations from public or private sources. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Adjutant General for the purposes of operating state military morale, welfare and recreation programs. Not later than August 1, 2022, and annually thereafter, the Adjutant General shall submit a report to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management concerning deposits into and expenditures from the account for the previous fiscal year.

Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2022*) The Adjutant General may issue a military funeral honors ribbon to any member of the National Guard or organized militia or other military personnel who satisfactorily performs as a member of an honor guard detail pursuant to section 27-76 of the general statutes.

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